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Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Petition For Expedited Relief To Preserve And Restore Broadcast Localism (Docket RM-10803)

Dear FCC Commissioners and Staff:

On November 14, 2003, THE AMHERST ALLIANCE and 52 other parties filed, with the FCC's Office of the Secretary, a Petition For Rulemaking which seeks expedited relief from: (a) the current proliferation of "satellators" and other long distance translators; and (b) serious interference from In Band On Channel (IBOC) Digital Radio broadcasts.

Due to its obvious relevance to both Dockets, a copy of this Petition For Expedited Relief, Through Rulemaking, was also filed in the FCC's Localism Task Force Docket (RM-10803) and the FCC's IBOC approval Docket (99-325).

Since November 14, the following 10 parties have asked to be listed as retroactive signatories of this Petition For Rulemaking:

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These retroactive signatures bring the total number of Petitioners to 63.

Given that the Petition is designed to prevent *irreparable damage*, from translator proliferation and IBOC interference, to radio stations and radio license applicants alike, we urge the Commission to take favorable action in the immediate future.

Sincerely,

Don Schellhardt, Esquire President, THE AMHERST ALLIANCE

On behalf of the following 63 parties:

16 licensed Low Power FM stations

- 1. WVJW-LP, West Virginia
- 2. WRIR-LP, Virginia
- 3. WSHG-LP, South Carolina
- 4. WFBP-LP, South Carolina
- 5. WALW-LP, Alabama
- 6. KZQX-LP, Texas
- 7. KJUK-LP, Texas
- 8. KLNA-LP, Texas
- 9. KXVX-LP, Texas
- 10. KXDX-LP, Texas
- 11. KWSK-LP, Texas
- 12. KXVI-LP, Texas
- 13. KPIB-LP, Texas (NEW)

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- 14. WJUK-LP, Indiana
- 15. WPCA-LP, Wisconsin
- 16. UNIVERSAL LIFE CHURCH OF VISALIA, California

7 Full Power stations

- 17. WXHD-FM, New York
- 18. WFMU-FM, New Jersey
- 19. KRXI-FM, Texas
- 20. KYQX-FM, Texas
- 21. KSQX-FM, Texas
- 22. KQXS-FM, Texas
- 23. KMQX-FM, Texas

8 aspiring Low Power FM broadcasters

- 24. PROVIDENCE COMMUNITY RADIO, Rhode Island
- 25. WKJCE GLBT RADIO, Pennsylvania
- 26. CLARK COMMUNICATIONS, Virginia
- 27. CSSI, Texas
- 28. RICK CALLEBS, Ohio (NEW)
- 29. BEATRADIO, Minnesota
- 30. WILW RADIO, Kansas
- 31. CHRISTOPHER BYDALEK, Alaska

8 aspiring Low Power AM broadcasters

- 32. CITIZENS MEDIA CORPS/COMMONWEALTH BROADBAND COOPERATIVE, Massachusetts
- 33. WSJL-AM, New Jersey
- 34. WNJO-AM, New Jersey (NEW)
- 35. JAMRAG MAGAZINE, Michigan
- 36. JOHNATHAN E. GRANT, Indiana
- 37. KWAQ-AM, Kansas
- 38. EAST HILL RADIO, Washington State (NEW)
- 39. JAMES JASON WENTWORTH, Alaska

8 service providers to the Low Power Radio community and/or the larger broadcasting industry:

- 40. DIGITAL SIGNAL GROUP, LLC (NEW)
- 41. CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY BROADCASTERS, Georgia
- 42. PAUL B. WALKER, JR., Mississippi (NEW)
- 43. MBC CONSULTING, Texas
- 44. TUNE TRACKER SYSTEMS, Wisconsin
- 45. DIYMEDIA, Wisconsin
- 46. MIDWEST CHRISTIAN MEDIA, Missouri
- 47. COGNITIVE RESEARCH & DESIGN CORPORATION, California

6 advocacy groups:

- 48. THE AMHERST ALLIANCE, Connecticut
- 49. MICHIGAN MUSIC IS WORLD CLASS! CAMPAIGN, Michigan
- 50. THE PROGRESSIVE COALITION, Michigan (NEW)
- 51. GREEN PARTY OF FERNDALE, Michigan (NEW)
- 52. GREEN PARTY OF MICHIGAN, Michigan (NEW)
- 53. CITIZENS BROADCAST BAND DISCUSSION GROUP, Minnesota

10 concerned citizens:

- 54. MELISSA LEAR, New York
- 55. NICKOLAUS E. LEGGETT, Virginia
- 56. PATRICIA ZUMKEHR, North Carolina
- 57. STEPHEN C. BRINGHURST, Alabama
- 58. WILLIAM DOERNER, Texas (NEW)
- 59. E.B. STEVENSON, Missouri
- 60. FRED BAUMGARTNER, C.P.B.E., Colorado
- 61. ALISON MAYNARD, ESQUIRE, Colorado
- 62. ROGER BIRD BEAR, Colorado
- 63. JAMES DAVIES, Colorado